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## PETITION FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby request a three month extension of time in connection with the above-identified application for filing a File Wrapper Continuing (FWC) application thereto. Office Action was issued by the U.S. Patent Office on May 13, 1996 in connection with the above-identified application. response to the Office Action was originally due August 13, 1996. A check is enclosed to cover the \$465.00 three month extension of time fee for a small entity. Accordingly, in view this petition, subject application is pending the purposes of filing a File Wrapper November 13, 1996 for Continuing (FWC) application thereto.

> I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Authorization is hereby given to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the enclosed fee, or charge any additional extension of time fees necessary to preserve the pendency of the subject application, to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted,

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